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## Identical letters dated 22 December 2015 from the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

On instructions from my Government, I should like to convey to you the following information.

We should like to refer to our previous letters, in particular the letter issued under symbol S/2015/933, concerning the ongoing attacks by aircraft of the so-called international coalition led by the United States of America against the oil and gas installations and the economic infrastructure of Syria, under the pretext that the target is the Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) terrorist organization. Such attacks violate the sovereignty of the Syrian Arab Republic. On Tuesday, 8 December 2015, aircraft belonging to that coalition bombed the Kubaybah oil terminal, which belongs to the Kawkab Petroleum Company, in Hasakah governorate. The attack resulted in the destruction of two 5,000 $m^3$ refined oil storage tanks; six 1,000 $m^3$ oil gathering tanks; the terminal's buildings and control systems; and the camp of the Chinese company that built the terminal.

On that same date, aircraft of the so-called coalition also bombed the administration and control building of the Markadah gas terminal of the Syrian Gas Company. The bombing of this terminal is unjustified given that it only processes raw gas; there is no oil there that could be stolen.

On Sunday, 13 December 2015, aircraft of the so-called coalition bombed the Sector 24 gas pipeline, which supplies an electrical power station in the Umar field. The attack cut off the supply of gas to the Dayr al-Zawr gas plant and took it out of service.

Those attacks by the so-called international coalition were preceded by a series of other attacks that caused significant economic losses and material damage, which are estimated to amount to hundreds of millions of dollars. Following is a listing of some of those attacks:

- On 30 October 2015, coalition aircraft attacked the oil collection terminal in the Umar field, Dayr al-Zawr governorate.
- On 3 November 2015, coalition aircraft attacked the Umar, Tanak and Jidu fields in Dayr al-Zawr governorate.
- On 4 November 2015, coalition aircraft attacked the perimeter of the Umar field in Dayr al-Zawr governorate.
- On 30 November 2015, coalition aircraft attacked the Tanak field in Dayr al-Zawr governorate.
- On 8 November 2015, coalition aircraft attacked Abu Hardan well No. 136 and Barghuth wells Nos. 106, 108 and 120 in Dayr al-Zawr governorate.
- On 9 November 2015, coalition aircraft attacked sites belonging to the Furat Petroleum Company in Dayr al-Zawr governorate.
- On 9 November 2015, coalition aircraft attacked eight oil relay pumps, as well as the pumps' meters and auxiliary equipment, at the main Jafra terminal in Dayr al-Zawr governorate.
- On 9 November 2015, coalition aircraft attacked the Umar gas plant, the main oil collection point in the Umar field, collection substation GSA near the Umar gas plant and collection substation GSB in Dayr al-Zawr governorate.
- On 14 November 2015, coalition aircraft attacked sites in the Umar field in Dayr al-Zawr governorate.
- On 15 November 2015, coalition aircraft bombed the garage of the Jafra terminal in Dayr al-Zawr governorate.
- On 17 November 2015, coalition aircraft attacked the Umar, Malih, Sayjan and Azraq fields in Dayr al-Zawr governorate.
- On 19 November 2015, coalition aircraft attacked sites at the Jafra terminal in Dayr al-Zawr governorate.
- On 19 November 2015, coalition aircraft attacked the Taym field in Dayr al-Zawr governorate, causing a fire.
- On 5 and 6 November 2015, coalition aircraft attacked the main terminals of the Taym and Ward fields, and oil wells at the Umar field in Dayr al-Zawr governorate, setting some of the wells on fire.

Aircraft of the coalition led by the United States of America have carried out dozens of attacks against Syrian economic facilities, instead of bombing ISIL and that group's vehicles, which are transporting stolen Syrian oil to Turkey. The coalition has not presented any information in that regard to the United Nations, as required by the relevant Security Council resolutions. The annex to the present letter lists the oil installations that American aircraft bombed in the period from 30 October to 15 November 2015 as part of the war that is being waged against Syria.

In that connection, we note that the armed terrorist groups that are stealing Syrian oil and selling it illegally through Turkish channels are not stealing it directly from terminals, but rather at points near the oil wells throughout Syria's oil fields.

Attacks by aircraft of the so-called coalition against the economic facilities and the infrastructure, and the unilateral coercive measures imposed by certain countries against the Syrian people are exacerbating the current difficult conditions in Syria.

In view of the deliberate destruction of the country's oil and economic installations, the Syrian Arab Republic reserves its right under international law to demand compensation from the States members of the American coalition for the damage that they have caused.

I should be grateful if the present letter and its annex could be issued as a document of the seventieth session of the General Assembly, under agenda item 108, and of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Bashar **Ja'afari**
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

## Annex to the identical letters dated 22 December 2015 from the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

| *Company* | *Governorate* | *Date of attack* | *Description of attack* | *Location of attack* | *Damage caused by attack* |
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| Furat Petroleum Company | Dayr al-Zawr | 30 October 2015 | Forces of the so-called coalition bombed the oil collection terminal in the Umar field. | Umar field | • An oil storage tank with a capacity of 30,000 barrels was struck and completely burned.<br>• The air compressors and relay were bombed and completely destroyed.<br>• Debris broke the power plant's windows and caused some structural damage. |
| Furat Petroleum Company | Dayr al-Zawr | 3 November 2015 | Forces of the so-called coalition bombed sites in Furat Petroleum Company fields. | Umar, Tanak and Jidu fields | • The main water treatment plant and the water injection collectors in the Umar field were bombed, damaging the pipes and some valves. This site had been previously bombed.<br>• In the Umar field, a garage in the warehouse area near the chemical storage building was bombed, completely destroying the stores of chemicals and oil barrels. Debris scattered by the explosion punctured the chemical injection units.<br>• The yard of the old garage was bombed, damaging some cranes and old tankers.<br>• The points at which oil is stolen in the Tanak and Jidu fields were bombed. |

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| Furat Petroleum Company | Dayr al-Zawr | 3 November 2015 | Forces of the so-called coalition bombed sites on the perimeter of the Umar field. | Perimeter of the Umar field | The following sites at the Tanak field were bombed: Barghuth, Abu Ra'sayn, Abu Hardan and Malih. |
| Furat Petroleum Company | Dayr al-Zawr | 4 November 2015 | Forces of the so-called coalition bombed the Umar field. | Umar field | The following sites were bombed: the oils and chemicals warehouses and the vehicle assembly point in the garage yard. Those sites had been previously bombed. |
| Furat Petroleum Company | Dayr al-Zawr | 8 November 2015 | Forces of the so-called coalition bombed the Tanak field. | Tanak field | • An oil relay tank was bombed, causing an explosion and a fire.<br>• The oil relay pumps were destroyed.<br>• The auxiliary oil relay pumps were destroyed.<br>• The assembly connecting the relay tanks and the relay pumps was destroyed.<br>• Well sites on the perimeter of the Tanak field were bombed.<br>• Two tanks used to store water for injection into wells were destroyed.<br>• The oil collector was destroyed.<br>• The gas collector was destroyed.<br>• General damage was caused to the terminal by flying debris.<br>• Three 200-bar injection pumps were destroyed. |

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| Furat Petroleum Company | Dayr al-Zawr | 8 November 2015 | Forces of the so-called coalition bombed Abu Hardan well No. 136 and Barghuth wells Nos. 102, 106 and 108. | Furat Petroleum Company fields | Abu Hardan well No. 136 was set ablaze. The fire was put out on 10 November 2015. |
| Furat Petroleum Company | Dayr al-Zawr | 9 November 2015 | Forces of the so-called coalition bombed the company's sites in Dayr al-Zawr governorate. | Furat Petroleum Company sites | • The gas supply line linking the Dayr al-Zawr plant and the Jafra terminal was bombed.<br>• The condenser loading area at the Izbah field was bombed, burning oil holding tanks Nos. 112, 113 and 114 and taking the terminal out of service.<br>• The main Tanak terminal was bombed. |
| Dayr al-Zawr Petroleum Company | Dayr al-Zawr | 9 November 2015 | Forces of the so-called coalition bombed eight relay pumps, as well as the pumps' metres and auxiliary equipment, at the main Jafra terminal. | Jafra terminal | Eight relay pumps were completely destroyed. |
| Dayr al-Zawr Petroleum Company | Dayr al-Zawr | 9 November 2015 | Forces of the so-called coalition bombed the earthen berm that surrounds Jafra well No. 116. | Jafra field | The earthen berm was damaged. |
| General Company for Phosphate and Mines | Homs | 10 November 2015 | Unidentified aircraft bombed the eastern phosphate mines. | Eastern phosphate mines | Parts of the manufacturing facilities, as well as the laundry and the housing complex were hit. |

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| Furat Petroleum Company | Dayr al-Zawr | 12 November 2015 | Aircraft of the so-called coalition bombed the following sites in the Umar field:<br>• The Umar gas plant<br>• The main gas collection terminal at the Umar field<br>• Collection substation GSA, near the Umar gas plant<br>• Collection substation GSB | Umar field | Umar gas plant:<br>• Parts of coolant compressor K203B were damaged; coolant compressor K203C was completely destroyed; and heat exchangers 627 to 929 were severely damaged.<br>• The coolant compressor control panels were completely destroyed.<br>• The line that supplies the output compressors was partially damaged.<br>• The cables feeding the plant's solar unit were partially damaged.<br>• Well No. 502, with a capacity of 50,000 barrels, at the main oil collection terminal was completely burned.<br>• Large punctures and damage were caused to auxiliary water tank No. 403.<br>• Water injection pump No. 36104, which supports the 200-bar pump, was completely destroyed.<br>• Oil collection substation GSA sustained partial damage in separators 105, 106 and 107 (punctures) and in high pressure separator No. 103.<br>• The pipe separators were completely destroyed.<br>• No damage at oil collection substation GSB. |

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| Dayr al-Zawr Petroleum Company | Dayr al-Zawr | 14 November 2015 | Forces of the so-called coalition bombed the perimeter of Jafra well No. 116. | Jafra field | • Bombing near the main collection terminal in the Umar field resulted in the destruction of two trailers.<br>• Well sites in the Shahil field were bombed, but there were no fires. |
| Furat Petroleum Company | Dayr al-Zawr | 14 November 2015 | Forces of the so-called coalition bombed sites in the Umar field. | Umar field | The canopy of a garage, along with the surface and the parking spots, were bombed and destroyed. |
| Dayr al-Zawr Petroleum Company | Dayr al-Zawr | 15 November 2015 | Forces of the so-called coalition bombed the garage at the Jafra terminal. | Jafra field | – |
| Dayr al-Zawr Petroleum Company | Dayr al-Zawr | 15 November 2015 | Forces of the so-called coalition bombed the perimeter of Jafra well No. 104, just beyond the well's earthen berm. | Jafra field | – |
| Dayr al-Zawr Petroleum Company | Dayr al-Zawr | 15 November 2015 | Forces of the so-called coalition bombed the perimeter of Jafra well No. 116, just beyond the well's earthen berm. | Jafra field | – |
| Furat Petroleum Company | Dayr al-Zawr | 17 November 2015 | Forces of the so-called coalition bombed the company's sites in Dayr al-Zawr governorate. | Umar, Malih, Sayjan and Azraq fields | • Substations GSC, GAB and GSA were attacked, causing damage to some oil collection tanks at those sites and resulting in a fire that burned for three hours before being extinguished.<br>• The oil collection points in the Malih, Sayjan and Azraq fields were attacked. |

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| Dayr al-Zawr Petroleum Company | Dayr al-Zawr | 19 November 2015 | Aircraft of the so-called coalition bombed sites at the Jafra terminal. | Jafra terminal | • The control room was bombed, destroying parts of the control room's structure and its contents, such as the electrical panels and the cables, along with their carriers.<br>• Production water treatment tank No. 601 was bombed and completely destroyed, including all connecting pipes, pumps and auxiliary equipment.<br>• The pipes in the area of the separator were bombed, damaging all of the pipes and their platforms.<br>• The storage yard behind the warehouse was bombed, destroying the canopy and the materials in the warehouse. |
| Furat Petroleum Company | Dayr al-Zawr | 20 November 2015 | Forces of the so-called coalition bombed the Taym oil field in Dayr al-Zawr governorate, causing fires that burned for two hours. | Taym field | Damage will be assessed later. |
| Dayr al-Zawr Petroleum Company | Dayr al-Zawr | 22 November 2015 | Aircraft of the so-called coalition bombed the cement drainage tanks at the Jafra terminal. | – | Tanks, along with their metal covers and the pumps mounted on top of them, were destroyed. The oil that remained in the tanks was set ablaze. |